(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether all outstanding legal issues have been settled to get the power plant running and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether majority equity holders GE and Bechtel to sell their stakes; and

(e) whether the outcome of the arbitration proceedings and outstanding debt has been resolved and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (e) An empowered Group of Ministers has been set up to examine and decide all issues related to the Dabhol Power Project, keeping all relevant aspects in view.

Revival of DPC by foreign investors

2147. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are providing guarantee to a SPV to be floated by the FIs in a bid to revive the Dabhol Power Company and if so, the details thereof;

(b) what is the amount of loans of export credit agencies lying outstanding at present against DPC;

(c) whether entire amount is recoverable from the sale of DPC assets and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when the 2144-MW power plants will become operational?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a), (c) and (d) An empowered Group of Ministers has been set up to examine and decide all issues related to the Dabhol Power Project, keeping all relevant aspects in view.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Measures to reduce distribution losses of electricity

2148. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government has urged both public and private sector

companies to reduce technical and commercial losses during distribution to check rising energy shortage;

(b) if so, whether distribution losses of electricity power is more and losses have been continuous for the last several years;

(c) if so, what are the concrete measures Government has taken to reduce distribution losses; and

(d) to what extent it has been successful?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Statement showing the transmission and distribution losses for the last three years is attached (*See* below).

(c) The Government is implementing Accelerated Power Development Reforms Programme (APDRP) since the year 2001-02 for upgradation and strengthening of the Sub-Transmission and Distribution system with the objective of reducing Aggregate Technical and Commercial (AT&C) losses, improving quality of supply of power, increasing revenue collection and improving consumer satisfaction.

(d) The States and Union Territories which have shown improvements in 2002-03 over 2001-02 are Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Chandigarh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa, West Bengal, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram.

Statement

Percentage Transformation, Transmission & Distribution Losses (including energy unaccounted for) in States/UTs

(Source: Central Electricity Authority)

Region State/UT	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Northern Region:			
Haryana	39.82	39.22	37.65
Himachal Pradesh	23.38	25.55	21.16
Jammu & Kashmir	45.39	48.85	45.55
Punjab	26.58	27.70	24.42

Region State/UT	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Rajasthan	29.76	43.06	42.61
Uttar Pradesh	36.94	37.62	34.16
Uttaranchal	-	32.39	25.17
Chandigarh	25.41	24.97	24.06
Delhi	44.27	43.97	45.82
Western Region:			
Gujarat	28.14	26.87	28.52
Madhya Pradesh	46.07	44.55	43.31
Chhattisgarh	-	33.75	37.86
Maharashtra	33.81	37.28	34.01
D & N Haveli	39.84	27.22	40.26
Goa	28.70	25.18	40.26
Daman & Diu	11.38	7.52	14.95
Southern Region:			
Andhra Pradesh	36.63	26.81	30.11
Karnataka	34.93	33.83	24.57
Kerala	18.44	32.21	27.45
Tamil Nadu	15.72	16.06	17.31
Lakshadweep	6.71	10.94	11.29
Pondicherry	7.93	12.00	21.10
Eastern Region:			
Bihar	17.86	51.70	37.98
Jharkhand	-	26.39	21.19
Orissa	44.91	47.34	45.36
Sikkim	24.98	31.73	54.85
West Bengal	29.44	31.67	25.93
A & N Island	17.49	29.20	19.78
North-Eastern Region:			
Assam	40.71	42.78	38.30
Manipur	58.49	62.35	63.66
Meghalaya	20.97	22.66	21.92
Nagaland	24.60	52.32	56.71

Region State/UT	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Tripura	43.89	40.38	40.64
Arunachal Pradesh	34.41	53.58	38.95
Mizoram	45.42	49.77	46.91
All India	**32.86**	**33.98**	**32.54**

Concerns functioning in power sector

†2149. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of concerns are actively functioning in the power industry sector at the national level;

(b) if so, the names of such concerns together with the details of the responsibilities entrusted to each of them;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a number of concerns belonging to power sector are working in sectors other than power; and

(d) if so, the names of such sectors together with the names of such concerns?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The names of the Public Sector Undertakings/Organizations functioning under administrative control of Ministry of Power and details of the responsibilities assigned to each of these establishments are given in the Statement-I attached (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The names of the Public Sector Undertakings/Organizations which are working in some sectors other than power are given in the Statement-II attached (*See* below).

Statement-I

Details of PSUs/Organizations working under administrative control of Ministry of Power

(i) Central Electricity Authority

(ii) National Thermal Power Corporation

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.